

HOUSE BILL 236

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Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Election Law – Districting Plan Questions – Inclusion of Map**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that a question that relates to the enactment of a
4 legislative or congressional districting plan that was petitioned to referendum
5 include a certain map; and generally relating to districting plan questions.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article – Election Law
8 Section 7–103(b)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

13 **Article – Election Law**

14 7–103.

15 (b) **(1)** Each question shall appear on the ballot containing the following
16 information:

17 **[(1)] (I)** a question number or letter as determined under subsection
18 (d) of this section;

19 **[(2)] (II)** a brief designation of the type or source of the question;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- 1 ~~[(3)]~~ **(III)** a brief descriptive title in boldface type;
- 2 ~~[(4)]~~ **(IV)** a condensed statement of the purpose of the question; and
- 3 ~~[(5)]~~ **(V)** the voting choices that the voter has.

4 **(2) IF A QUESTION RELATES TO THE ENACTMENT OF A**
5 **LEGISLATIVE OR CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTING PLAN THAT WAS PETITIONED**
6 **TO REFERENDUM, THE QUESTION SHALL CONTAIN A MAP OF THE STATE THAT**
7 **SHOWS THE BOUNDARY LINES FOR THE LEGISLATIVE OR CONGRESSIONAL**
8 **DISTRICTS THAT ARE INCLUDED IN THE LEGISLATIVE OR CONGRESSIONAL**
9 **DISTRICTING PLAN.**

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
11 October 1, 2013.